

Speaker Reed Convicts Himself.
Speaker Reed's own defense of his monstrous revolutionary action, convicts him of a guilty conscience. No other speaker of an American Congress since the government was established, has ever found it necessary to come out in a public card defending his action as an officer controlling the legislation of the country in which the liberty and the rights of the people were involved. His defense implies a wrong, and the fact that he is smarting under the judgment of the country. Moreover, it seems to require the constant use of the party lash to force his partisan friends to support his despotic power. The constitution plainly provides for certain ruling to protect the minority against just such despotism as he is practicing by virtue of his office, and to prevent a partisan majority from hasty and vicious legislation. Mr. Carlisle makes this proposition clear, and the salutary effect of such parliamentary law upon the majority has been recognized since the foundation of the government. The Republicans have a majority in Congress, and the speaker has the power to compel the attendance of that majority. If the Republican majority fails to attend and the Democrats refuse to vote on any measure, it is evident they oppose the measure and have a right to raise the question of a quorum. But when Speaker Reed finds himself without a party quorum to carry his partisan measures, he counts the Democrats present and not voting, to make a quorum, thereby forcing the Democrats to vote for Republican measures which they bitterly oppose.

The Democrats represent fully one half of the people of the United States; that is clear from the fact that Cleveland received 100,000 more votes than Harrison, though Harrison under our electoral college system, and fraud was elected President. But admitting that the Republicans are in the majority and have the right to rule, if that majority fails to attend and exercise that right, the Republicans then become the majority, and the Speaker has no right to count the Democrats on the Republican side to make his quorum. These are facts that the Republican leaders cannot explain away.

The American people are very jealous of their liberty, and party spirit loses its ranker when usurpation so plainly steps in, overthrowing precedent, common law and constitutional liberty, setting up a despotism. The people realize that the tendency of Republican legislation is towards centralization and the Republican party will not be able to defend itself against the action of Reed and the Republican Congress.

After Three Years.
W. L. Walton, of Springfield, Tenn., says: "I have been suffering with Neuralgia in my face and head off and on for three years. I purchased a box of Dr. Tanager's Infallible Neuralgia Cure and took eight of the pills. I have not felt any symptoms of Neuralgia since. It gives me pleasure to recommend it." Sold by Owen & Moore. Oct-6-1m.

Death of an Aged Lady.
Mrs. Donaldson, widow of Wm. Donaldson died at Olmsted Ky., Tuesday, Feb. 4, in her 88th year. She was a sister of S. S. and Wm. Mahory once old residents of this city. The remains were interred to-day at Clay Long's near Ringgold. Mrs. Donaldson was widely connected around New Providence and Ringgold, and belonged to the best families of that section.

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It is unfortunate for the country that the Boston people did not send John Sullivan to Congress. There is no other man in America whose parliamentary code is a match for the rules of the slugger from Maine. Mississippi could afford to excuse the Professor from representing that State in the penitentiary, to have Speaker Reed regulated by the Sullivan code.

Did You Ever.
W. H. Revels, M. D., of Baltimore, Md., says: "I have been in the practice of medicine for over eighteen years, but never have I seen the equal of Hodges' Sarsaparilla. It has worked miracles here in curing Rheumatism and Scrofula. Have almost come to the conclusion that I cannot practice without it." Sold by Wm & Moore, Clarksville, Tenn. Oct-6-1m.

Wealth in the hands of the few, under the operation of Federal revenue codes, grows much more rapidly than population, and yet population here grows with four times the rapidity of that of Europe.

QUEER GUNSHOT WOUNDS.

Remarkable Stories About Men Who Were Shot on the Battlefield.

Capt. Tip Harrison's office at the Capitol is the room where the veterans of the late war are wont to congregate. When several of the old soldiers who bear about them the scars of many battles meet, reminiscences of the great struggle are in order, and some of the stories told are very thrilling. Yesterday the subject under discussion was the remarkable manner in which some men were wounded and recovered and were wounded again. Capt. Tip Harrison is responsible for the following:

"Lieut. Muncie, of the Sixty-first Georgia regiment," said Capt. Tip, "was one of the most remarkable men I ever knew. He was a slender, cadaverous looking man, with apparently no physical strength, yet he lived through what would have killed a dozen ordinary men, and is alive today. In the early part of the war he was shot through the chest and through the back, and the ball struck the bone and shattered it, passed through his body, and came out within an inch of his spine between two ribs. After a desperate struggle for life he recovered, and regained his regiment. At the battle of Monocacy Creek he was again wounded, the ball entering between the corresponding ribs on the other side of his spine, and issuing from the same hole that the first ball entered at. The second shot must have taken the passage inside Muncie's body that the first ball made in going in the opposite direction. He was in prison with me later, and appeared to suffer no unusual pain."

The case of Sergt. B. F. Curtright, who is now on the Atlanta police force, was cited as another remarkable instance. Sergt. Curtright was wounded in the right arm, the ball passing through the limb from the front. The muscles were badly lacerated, and when he recovered he found that, though he had perfect use of his hand, he could not lift his arm above his head. He was not disabled from using his weapons, however, and returned to his company. Later in the war, at the battle of Winchester, he was shot in exactly the same place, except that the ball traversed his arm in the opposite direction. When the inflammation subsided he found, to his surprise, that the stiffness of his muscles had almost entirely disappeared, and he was soon able to use his arm as well as ever.

Lieut. Leath was another man with a remarkable experience. He was leading his men into battle when he received the order to charge. The noise of the guns and the shrieks of the wounded made it necessary for him to give his orders at the top of his voice. He had his mouth wide open, calling out the word charge, when a silver from a shell struck him in the cheek. It passed through his mouth without touching a single tooth and came out through the other cheek, leaving on each side of his head a gash as clean as if cut by a razor. The wound became inflamed, and Leath, who was at the time near his home, was given leave of absence for two or three days. When he rode up to his mother's house his head was tied up with bandages.

The old lady rushed out when she saw him coming and cried: "Oh, my son, where are you wounded?" "Right through the head," he replied. His mother, thinking the wound must be fatal, sent for a doctor without waiting for explanations. When the medical man arrived he found Leath sitting at the dinner table eating a hearty meal. —Atlanta Constitution.

How to Unmarry.
My grandfather used to tell an amusing story about an ignorant young couple in his parish. He had married them, but the marriage was a failure; they could not get along at all well together. They had vast, undefined ideas of what a rector could do, and it entered into their foolish minds that he might be able to undo their marriage. So they asked him if he could not take them into church again and perform some service which would set them free, as they were before. The rector said, musingly: "Well, I think if you come to church I could put you in the way of becoming unmarried. Also, it is a curious kind of business, and instead of coming to the altar as before you will have to go into the belfry."

So the unhappy couple readily assented, and on an appointed time they went into the church and the rector marched them into the belfry. "You see these two tringles," he said; "the husband will have to stand upon one and the wife upon the other." Accordingly, with much wailing, the husband, the wife, one on a tringle, and the wife did the same. "Now each of you take a bell rope in your hand." This was done. "Now each of you take the bell rope round your neck and jump off the tringle." "Lor, sir," they should be hanging ourselves. "Exactly," said the rector, "that is what I mean. The only way by which you can unmarry yourselves is in church by hanging yourselves in the belfry." —Literary and Clerical Life.

Helping the Donkey.
The late Emperor Frederick, when he was crown prince, while walking in the woods near the palace at Potsdam one morning, perceived an old milk woman who was pounding the mass attached to her milk wagon and talking in an excited tone to the balking animal.

"What's the matter, my good woman?" asked the prince. "I am in a great hurry to serve my customers with milk," replied the old woman, who did not know the prince, "and this accursed brute refuses to budge; but if you would be kind enough to pull him by the ears while I warn him up behind with this club he will go right along."

The good natured prince seized the animal by the ears and tugged away while the old woman mauled the brute with her cudgel. Sure enough the donkey trotted on, much to the joy of the woman.

When the prince told his mother about it she rebuked him for being so familiar with the lower orders, whereupon the prince laughingly replied: "My father has helped many a donkey along at court." —St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Blown Full of Pins.
A man weighing 300 pounds and as round as a football ran screaming from the dye house at 2,546 Cottage Grove avenue yesterday morning. His form glistened like steel as he rushed to the drug store at Twenty-sixth street and Cottage Grove avenue. His rotund form was completely covered with pins, which were sticking deep in every portion of his anatomy.

"Get a tack hammer and pull these pins out quick!" shouted the fat man, who was Henry Wing.

Then he told how the boiler head in the dye house of which he is the proprietor had blown out and scattered a box of pins standing near with such force that he was literally stuck full of them from head to foot, giving him the appearance of an animated pincushion. The clerk went to work as if he were pulling tacks, and managed to extract several papers of pins from the fat man's body. At each pull of the hammer Wing uttered a groan of anguish. Finally the last torturer was extracted and the sufferer breathed easier. —Chicago Tribune.

Billy Bringham.

Dr. Steger of the Dover Courier, in his very interesting reminiscences of the fight at Dover 27 years ago, on a very cold day when the boys were nearly frozen, and Gen'l Wheeler, with two brigades, commanded by Gen'l's Forest and Wharton, attacked the Federal force, pays the compliment to our fellow townsman, mine host of the Franklin House. "I was detailed to remain with the wounded of Gen. Forest's command at the Smith place. They were carried to town and I was called to see Billy Bringham, a mere boy. He was not seriously hurt, and we succeeded in having him sent to the hospital at Paducah to prevent his being sent to prison. The next time we saw Billy, he was down in Georgia, keeping up with the command, on foot, trying to capture him a horse on the raid we were making into Tennessee, rather than remain in camp. A hundred thousand such men could have achieved our independence."

Buenaventura Farm.

Col. Goodlett informed a CHRONICLE reporter this morning that the Buenaventura Farm Company had recently purchased several finely bred mares for the farm. These mares have good pedigrees, some of them coming from the best strains of Kentucky blood. In a short while a list of these mares, together with pedigree of each, will be given to the public through the city press.

President Harrison has afflicted the people of America, Ga., by the appointment for post master at that place Henry A. Dudley, a very disreputable illiterate negro. This is Congressman Scrip's home, and this was Harrison's way of getting revenge for the way Scrip scored Speaker Reed and the revolutionists.

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